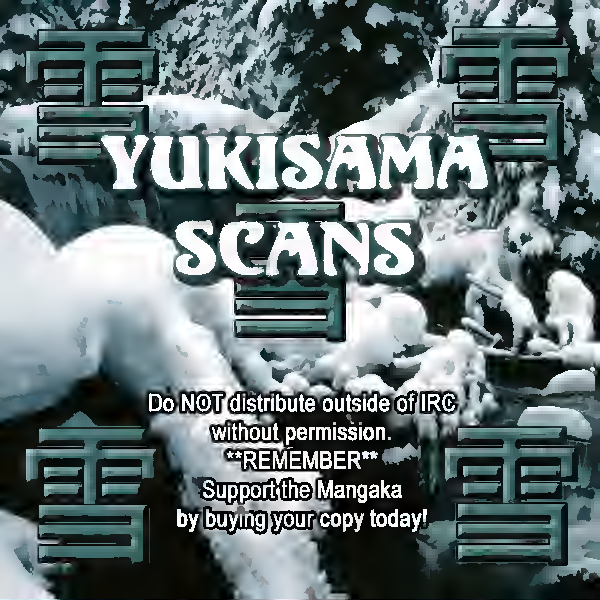
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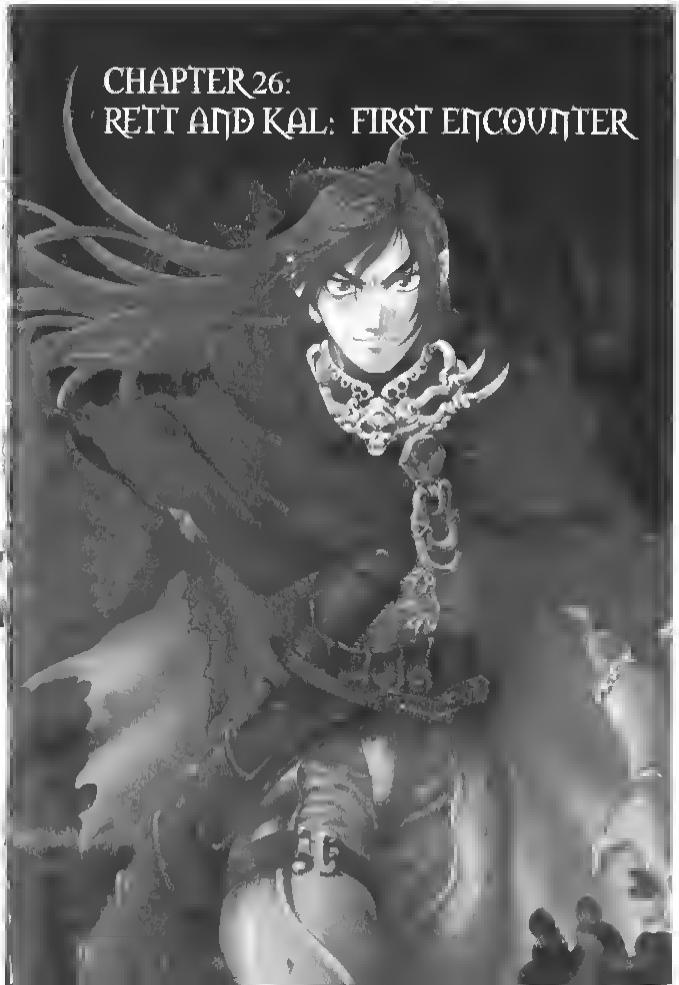

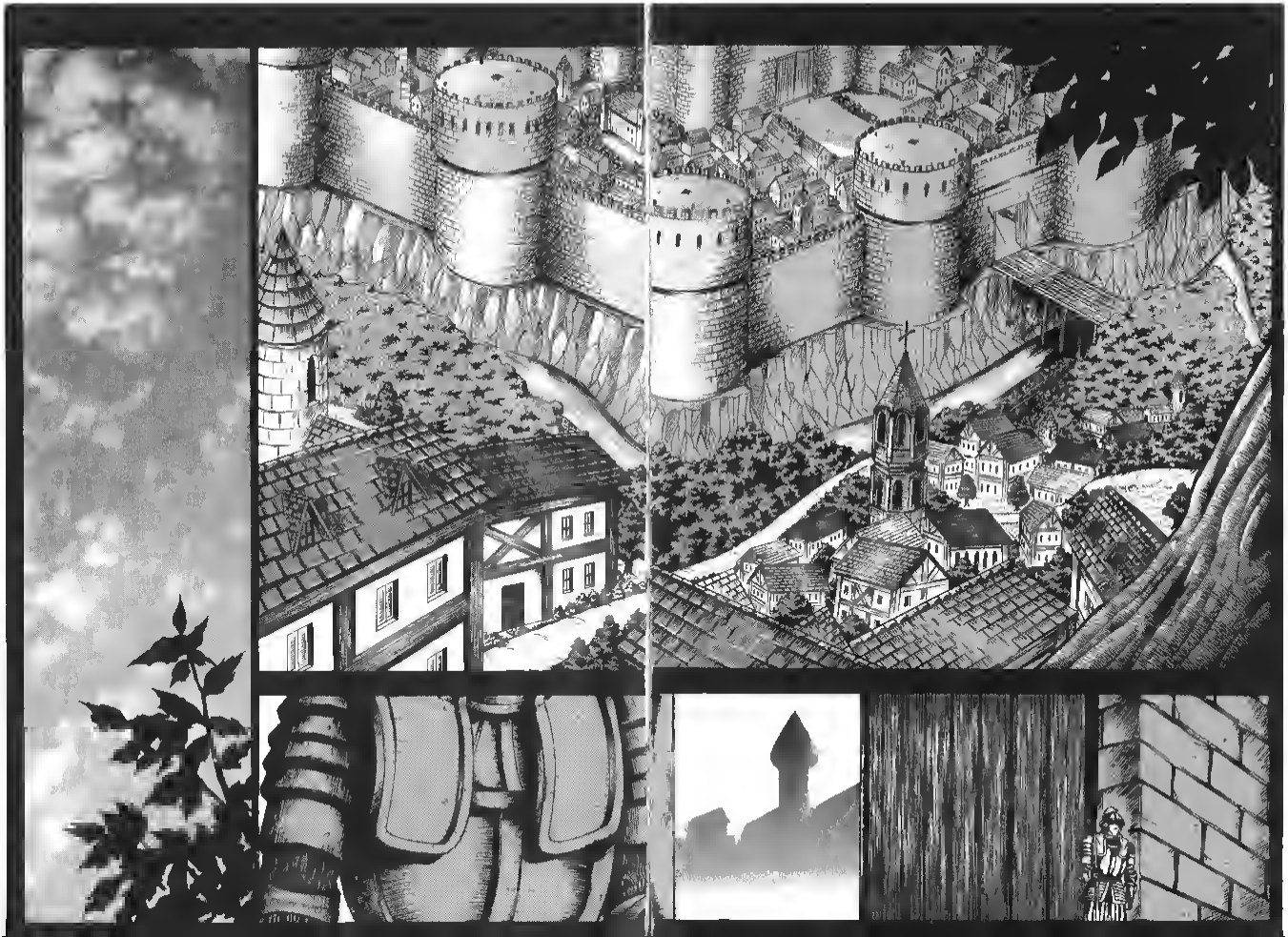

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WELL, WELL-- OUR NEW ARRIVAL!
AH-- GENERAL VISHNU!
MAKING THE ROUNDS YOURSELF AGAIN? LEAVE THE TEDIOUS DUTIES TO LOWER-RANKING OFFICERS.
NOT AT ALL. JUST GETTING SOME FRESH AIR AND THOUGHT I'D HAVE A LOOK AROUND
하하하
GOOD LAD! WISH I HAD MORE YOUNG MEN LIKE YOU IN MY COMPANY!!
YOU'RE TOO KIND, SIR.
I DON'T BELIEVE THE FATHER AND I HAVE MET...
AH! I ALMOST FORGOT!
ALLOW ME TO INTRODUCE FATHER DANIEL. HE'LL BE ACCOMPANYING YOU AS THE OFFICIAL SCRIBE ON YOUR MISSIONS.
UMM... HELLO. IT IS A PLEASURE TO MEET YOU, SIR

KALUTEKA MAYEUS. THE PLEASURE IS MINE, FATHER.
YES...WELL ...THANK YOU.
IS THAT THE BOOK?
UMM--B OOK--?
THAT BOOK-- IS THAT WHAT YOU'LL BE RECORDING MY EXPLOITS IN?
AH...YES... ACTUALLY, IT IS.

WELL, I TRUST YOU WON'T EMBARRASS ME TOO BADLY.
SOME THINGS SHOULD REMAIN PRIVATE, EH, FATHER? HA HA
I'M I'M AFRAID THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE. THERE ARE RULES. OFFICIAL SCRIBES MUST RECORD EVERYTHING THEY SEE, EVEN THE MOST TRIVIAL--
HA HA! IT SEEMS YOU TWO HAVE MUCH TO DISCUSS!
WELL, I MUST TAKE MY LEAVE NOW GET TO WORK. GENTLEMEN
SHALL WE, FATHER DANIEL?
BY ALL MEANS.

HOW IS IT THAT YOU CAME TO BE A SCRIBE, FATHER?
SURELY THERE ARE MORE COMFORTABLE POSITIONS FOR A CHURCH SCHOLAR.
WRITING WAS ALWAYS MY PASSION, SECOND ONLY TO THE CHURCH.
I CONSIDERED BECOMING A POET, BUT FOUND MYSELF LACKING IMAGINATION...
AND SO I BECAME A CHRONICLER OF THE TRUTH...A TRUTH NOT AT THE MERCY OF THE WHIMS OF MAN.
THE CHURCH WAS MY CALLING- WRITING MY VOCATION, AND HERE I AM.
ONE DAY, THIS EMPTY JOURNAL SHALL BECOME THE VESSEL OF YOUR BIOGRAPHY.
I AM FILLED WITH SATISFACTION MERELY THINKING ABOUT IT.
AND SOMEHOW... IT FILLS ME WITH A SENSE OF DREAD...
..WHA?
DANUBE?!
BUT... WHERE ARE YOU--?!

PLEASE-- UNHAND ME! I HAVE BUSINESS TO ATTEND!!
OF COURSE YA DO, MY PRETTY...
NOW LET'S GO SOMEWHERE WE CAN TALK... BUSINESS
NO--STOP IT! I'LL CALL THE GAURDS!!
WELL... JUST SO HAPPENS I'M YOUR MAN. SERGEANT OF THE GUARDS, IN FACT.
AT YOUR SERVICE, M'LADY... NOW LET'S NOT PLAY HARD TO GET, EH?
DO THE GUARDSMEN'S DUTIES NOW INCLUDE MOLESTING MY SISTER?
KAL!
HUH?
ARE YOU ALL RIGHT, DANUBE?
YES, KAL.
HEAVEN HELP ME...I'M A DEAD MAN!
HOW COULD I KNOW THAT BIT OF FLUFF WAS THE MAJOR'S SISTER?!
WHY YOU--OH...! MAJOR MAYBUS?!
PLEEEASE... PLEASE FORGIVE ME, MAJOR MAYBUS!!
I MEANT NO OFFENSE-- OH, MERCY, SIR...!!
RETURN TO YOUR POST, SERGEANT.
YES, SIR! BLESS YOU, SIR...!!

AND WHAT BRINGS YOU HERE, SISTER?
WELL--I FEEL SILLY, I PACKED YOU A LUNCH. HERE.
DON'T BE TOO HARSH ON HIM, KAL. HE CAN'T HELP HIS NATURE.
OUCH!!
YES...
...I KNOW...
OF ALL THE BLASTED LUCK--HIS SISTER!!
WHY IN THE HELL DID IT HAVE TO BE HIS SISTER?!
BUT OH, SWEET MOTHER...SHE'S SO SOFT AND SWEET...
AAHHH...
OH!

MAJOR!!
MAJOR MAYBUS!!!
WH-WHY DID YOU RUSH OFF LIKE THAT?
I THOUGHT I'D F-FAINT RUNNING AFTER YOU...
WE'RE GOING TO NEED TO WORK ON YOUR CONSTITUTION FATHER
SHALL WE GET TO WORK? WHAT IS ON OUR AGENDA THIS AFTERNOON?
AH... WELL, AN INSPECTION OF THE PRISON AT CASTLE LEEDS. THEY RECOMMEND YOU BRING A BODYGUARD.
I KNOW A SERGEANT WHO'LL SERVE QUITE NICELY
EXCELLENT!
HAH... IS THAT SO?
VERY WELL, THEN...

AS YOU CAN SEE, THE SECURITY HERE IS EXTREMELY FORMIDABLE.
FRANKLY, I'M AT A LOSS AS TO WHY THE SUPERIORS FELT THE NEED FOR THIS INSPECTION.
AT THE RISK OF SOUNDING POMPOUS, IN THE FIVE YEARS SINCE I'VE BEEN APPOINTED WARDEN, WE'VE NOT HAD A SINGLE SUCCESSFUL ESCAPE OR UPRISING.
IS THAT SO...
RIOT ALERT!!
ARGH...!! WATCH TOWER! WHAT'S HAPPENING?!
DAMMIT TO HELL... OF ALL TIMES!!
IT'S THE BRITON! HE'S CAUSING A ROW IN AREA THREE!
IT'S THAT DAMNED REFT BUTLER AGAIN!!
YES.. WELL...
THIS WILL ONLY TAKE A MOMENT!
BUTLER, EH?
WHY SO MUCH COMMOTION OVER ONE MAN?
HAVE YOU NOT HEARD, SIR? THEY CALL HIM THE "HELLRAISER"...THE BANDIT LEADER WHO'S STRUCK FEAR INTO EVERYONE THROUGHOUT THE PROVINCE.
THEY SAY HIS SWORDSMANSHIP IS WITHOUT EQUAL. IN THE END, IT TOOK AN ENTIRE BRIGADE TO BRING THE VARLET IN
HMM...I'M NOT SURE THAT'S ENTIRELY ACCURATE...
WHILE IT IS TRUE THAT BUTLER IS GUILTY OF BANDITRY...I'VE HEARD THAT THE POOR HAIL HIM AS A HERO
IT'S BEEN SAID THAT HE ONLY PREYS ON THE MOST RUTHLESS AND DRACONIAN OF NOBLEMEN, AND THAT HE THEN DISTRIBUTES THE LION'S SHARE OF THE LOOT TO THE UNFORTUNATE--

WHY DON'T YOU STICK TO TAKING NOTES, SCRIBBLER
WELL... I ONLY MEANT..
THIS RETT BUTLER... HE SOUNDS INTERESTING...
..LET'S HAVE A LOOK.
HAAARGH!!
THE FIRST OF YOU MANGY CURS TO BACK DOWN LOSES A MONTH'S WAGES
AYE SIR!!
GAK--!

UGH!!
ARGH!!
GULP!
N-NO_ P-PLEASE_
AHH!!
KYYAAAHH!!

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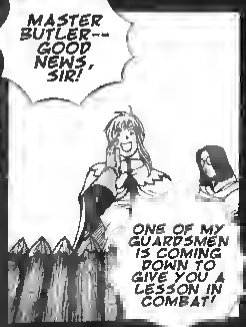
MOTHER-LESS PIGS--!
HOW DARE YOU FEED ME THAT DOG SHIT?!
HUFF!
HUHH!
HUFF!
HIS FIGHTING SKILLS-- SIMPLY AMAZING!!
WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING AT, YOU BLOODY FOP?! WANT SOME OF THE SAME?
OR--
I HANG IN LESS THAN A FORTNIGHT SO I'VE NOTHING TO LOSE
I'M NOT ONE TO GO QUIETLY...
...I'LL TAKE AT LEAST A HUNDRED OF YOU TO HELL WITH ME.

MY, SUCH BRAVADO...
SERGEANT, GO DOWN AND SUBDUE THAT MAN.
WHA...SIR ?!

UNFORTUNATELY NO ONE IN THE WARDEN'S MOTLEY CREW SEEMS TO BE A MATCH FOR HIM
WHAT IN THE BLOODY HELL...
IS THAT FANCY LAD SWING-
HOW FORTUNATE THAT WE ARE HERE TODAY! LET'S GIVE HIM A TASTE OF WHAT A TRAINED GUARDSMAN CAN DO
BUT SIR... I'M NOT QUITE UP TO SNUFF TODAY, SI-

THAT'S AN ORDER SERGEANT.

Y-YES, MAJOR...
AT ONCE, SIR


MASTER BUTLER-- GOOD NEWS, SIR!
ONE OF MY GUARDSMEN IS COMING DOWN TO GIVE YOU A LESSON IN COMBAT!

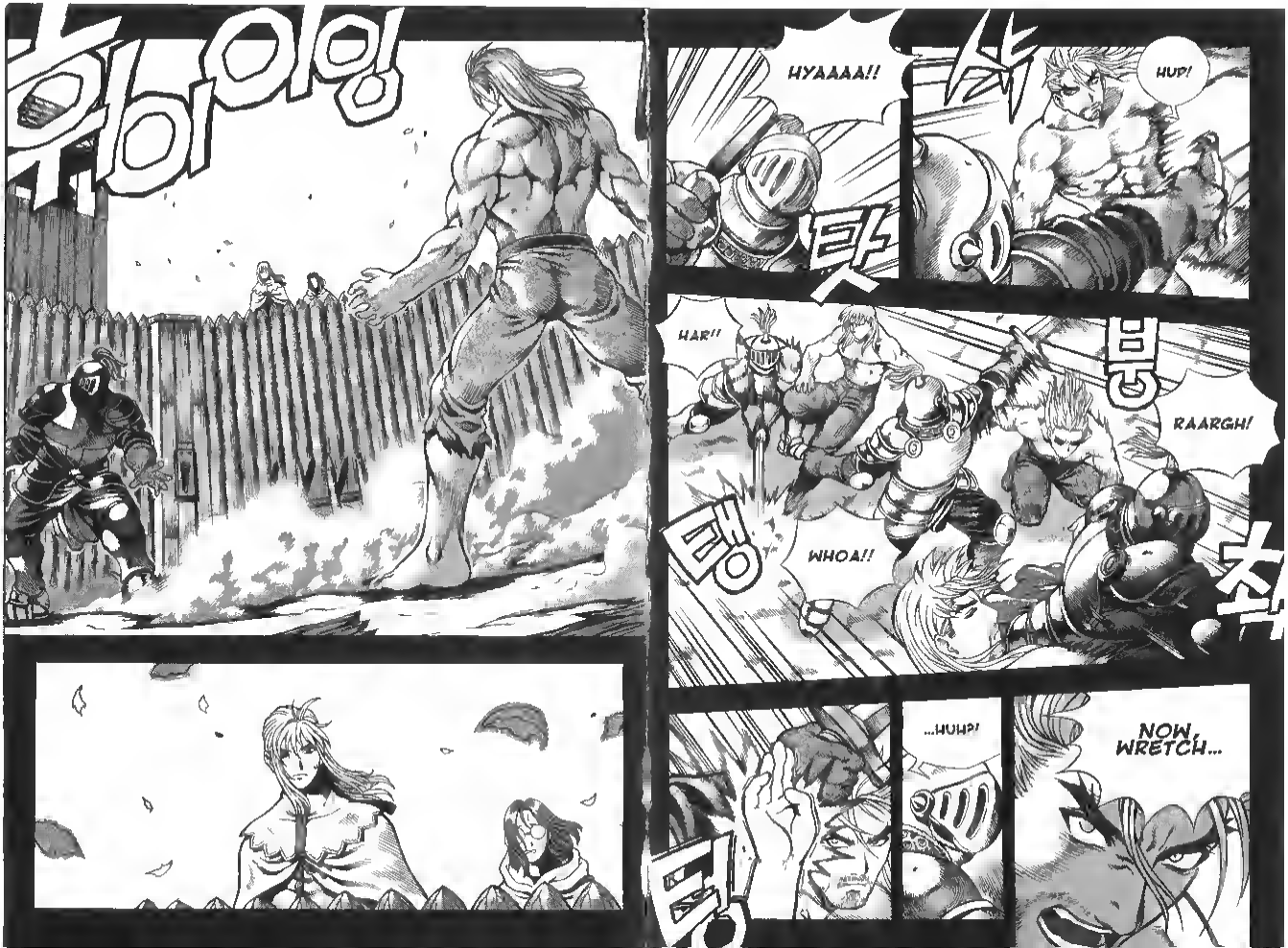
I THINK YOU'LL BE QUITE IMPRESSED!
OR SCARED WITLESS!

YOU BLOW A LOT OF HOT AIR, PRETTY BOY!
LET HIM COME-- I DON'T CARE WHO HE IS!

WELL SAID, SIR! NOW HOLD NOTHING BACK!
AND IN THE UNLIKELY EVENT YOU SHOULD PREVAIL--I'LL FREE YOU AND APPOINT YOU THE NEW SERGEANT MASTER OF MY GUARDS!

BUT... MAJOR!
YOU'LL WHAT ..?
DO I, OR DO I NOT HAVE THE AUTHORITY TO APPOINT MY OWN SERGEANT OF THE GUARD?
YES, OF COURSE... BUT STILL...
INTERESTING PROPOSITION...
IT'S OF NO CONSEQUENCE
IF HE CANNOT DEFEAT A RUFFIAN LIKE YOU, HE'S NOT FIT FOR THE POST.
WHAT IF HE DIES?!

NOW THAT LOOKS UNCOMFORTABLE AREN'T YOU HOT?
YOU--!!
I'LL HAVE YOUR GUTS FOR GARTERS!


HYAAAA!!
HUP!
HAR!!
RAARGH!
WHOA!!
...HUHP!
NOW, WRETCH...

TASTE BLOOD!!
카캉
KAFF--! R-RIGHT THROUGH...
...MMY-- URK! ARMOR?!
YOUR ARMOR...
...IS LIKE AN EGG-SHELL...
...AND I'LL MAKE AN OMELET OF YOUR INNARDS!!

AAK! AIEEE!!
I BEG YOU... PLEASE... SHOW MERCY!!
우와 하악
퍽!

털썩!
타탓
HE...HE'S DEAD...

WELL, THEN, IT SEEMS...
휘익
...WE HAVE A NEW SERGEANT OF THE GUARD.
HMPH.
.....
FATHER DANIEL, WOULD YOU BE SO KIND AS TO SEE THAT THE NEW RECRUIT IS FITTED WITH A PROPER UNIFORM AND GIVEN A MOUNT?
...AH... YES, SIR.
휘이잉
WOULD SOMEONE MIND TELLING ME...
척
...JUST WHO THE HELL...
...HE IS?

뚜벅
뚜벅
뚜벅
덜컹
탕!
OH, LORD..
끄아아-
I...I KILLED...
...K-KILLED HIM...
GOD HELP ME...
...I KILLED HIM!

뚜벅
뚜벅
AH, HERE WE ARE
LOOK...
IF IT'S ALL THE SAME TO YOU, I'D LIKE TO GO IN ALONE
REALLY? VERY WELL...
덜컹
I MUST SAY...
...THE UNIFORM SUITS YOU.
덜컹
철컹
MIND IF I SIT? I'VE NEVER BEEN MUCH ON FORMALITIES...
...MAJOR... MAYOUS, IS IT?
JUST CALL ME KAL.
I'M NOT ONE TO STAND ON FORMALITIES, EITHER.
FINE...KAL.
I'LL COME STRAIGHT OUT AND ASK YOU.

THAT MAN I JUST KILLED...
...WHAT WAS HIS OFFENSE?
HMM?
PLEASE...LET'S NOT PLAY GAMES. YOU KNEW THE SERGEANT WAS OVERMATCHED AND YET YOU SENT ONE OF YOUR OWN MEN INTO THAT CORRAL WITH ME
YOU EVEN STOKED THE FIRE BY PROMISING ME A PARDON AND OFFERING ME A POST IN YOUR COMPANY.
YOU WANTED THAT MAN DEAD...
...WITHOUT HAVING HIS BLOOD ON YOUR HANDS. AM I WRONG?
WELL, WELL...
...BRAINS AS WELL AS BRAWN.
SINCE YOU ASKED...
HE ACCOSTED SOMEONE...
...SOMEONE WHOSE LIFE IS DEARER TO ME THAN MY OWN

BUT...IT WAS ALSO A TEST OF SORTS...

FROM AN EARLY AGE, I'VE STRUGGLED TO ACHIEVE GREATNESS... WITH THE SWORD, ON THE HORSE, IN MY STUDIES.
ENDLESSLY SPURRED ON BY MY FATHER...BUT THE RESULTS WERE, IN HIS EYES...LESS THAN SPECTACULAR
AND MY LOOKS, WHILE AESTHETICALLY PLEASING, HAVE DONE NOTHING TO EARN THE RESPECT OF MY PEERS OR MY FATHER...

SO LIFE'S DEALT YOU A BAD HAND...
WHAT'S THAT GOT TO DO WITH ME?
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DESPITE WHAT HE PERCEIVES AS MY MANY SHORTCOMINGS, MY FATHER STILL DEMANDS GREAT THINGS FROM ME.
ALTHOUGH HE IS OLD AND DYING...I STILL FEAR HIM...AND I HAVE A PLEDGE TO FULFILL.

THAT IS WHY I TESTED YOU.
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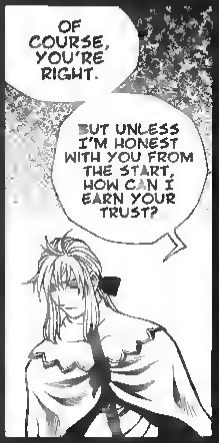
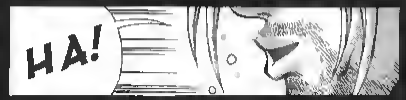
I NEED A POWERFUL ALLY AT MY SIDE.

YOU'VE GOT NERVE, I'LL GIVE YOU THAT.
NOT EVEN AN ATTEMPT TO HIDE THE FACT THAT YOU WANT TO USE ME FOR YOUR ADVANCEMENT...


OF COURSE, YOU'RE RIGHT.
BUT UNLESS I'M HONEST WITH YOU FROM THE START, HOW CAN I EARN YOUR TRUST?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EXCUSE ME...?

I CAN THROW YOU FARTHER THAN I TRUST YOU, KAL.
BUT YOU CAN SERVE A PURPOSE FOR ME TOO
LET'S MAKE A FRESH START. I'M RETT BUTLER. A WARRIOR WITHOUT EQUAL IN SWORD OR FIST
척
AND I'LL JOIN YOUR COMPANY ON THE CONDITION THAT YOU IMMEDIATELY RELEASE ALL OF MY COMPATRIOTS
턱

CHAPTER 27: RETT THE HELLRAISER

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CAW!
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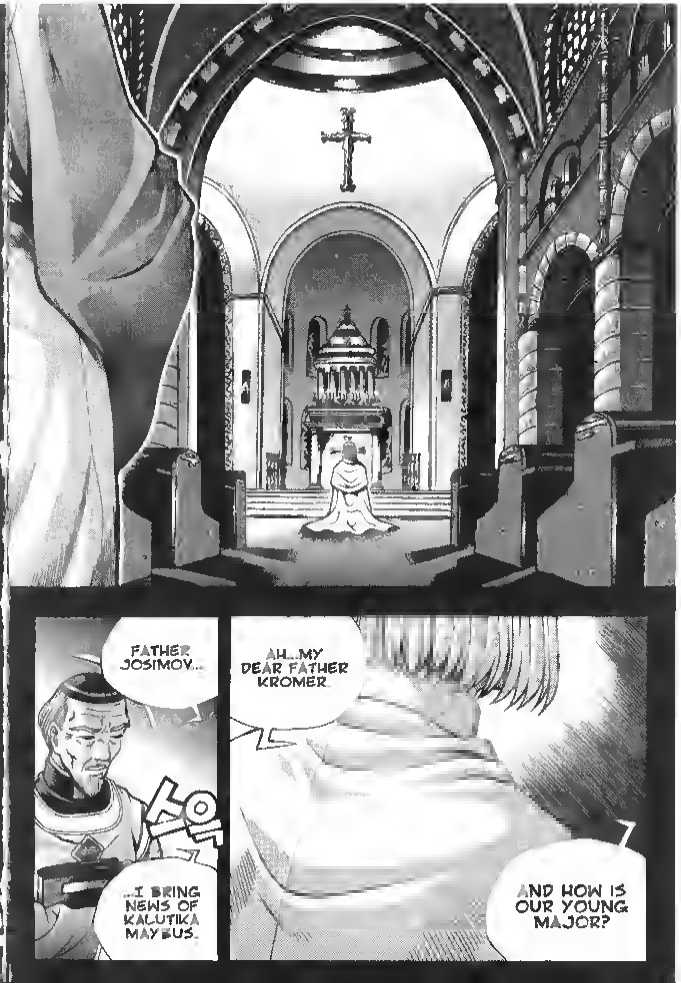
FATHER JOSIMOV...
...I BRING NEWS OF KALUTIKA MAYBUS.
AH...MY DEAR FATHER KROMER.
AND HOW IS OUR YOUNG MAJOR?

IN THE THREE MONTHS SINCE HIS APPOINTMENT, HE HAS CARRIED OUT HIS DUTIES WITHOUT INCIDENT.
THAT IS...UNTIL THIS PAST WEEK.
REALLY...?
DO TELL.
IT SEEMS THAT HE HAS APPOINTED A PRISONER AT LEEDS CASTLE AS HIS NEW SERGEANT OF THE GUARD.
A ROGUE BY THE NAME OF REST BUTLER... A DANGEROUS BANDIT AWAITING EXECUTION APPARENTLY.
APPROVE HIM.
BUT FATHER...?
APPROVE HIM! THERE IS TO BE NO INTERFERENCE WITH MAYBUS ACTIVITIES.
IT'S BEEN 20 YEARS. I'VE WAITED TOO LONG...
...FOR HIM TO REACH THIS POINT.
WHEN I DISCOVERED HIM 20 YEARS AGO, I FELT OVERJOYED LIKE A CHILD WITH A NEW TOY..
...WATCHING HIM MATURE, I BECAME CERTAIN THAT HE WAS THE ONE I WAS DESTINED TO FIND.
AND AFTER 20 LONG YEARS OF WAITING OF PATIENT AND ENDLESS WAITING
...I AM BARELY ABLE TO CONTAIN MY RAPTURE, KNOWING THAT THE DAY IS NEAR...
WHEN I WILL AT LAST...
...TASTE HIS...
...HOLY...
BLOOD!!

AHEM HEHEH.. MY, MY...
...I FEAR I'VE BECOME OVERLY EXCITED...
...AND WHERE IS YOUNG MASTER MAYBUS NOW?
HIS COMPANY IS CURRENTLY IN THE FIELD, FATHER
THE REASON BEING...?
A SERIES OF [illegible] CONCERNING MISSING PERSONS...
...IN AN AREA THE VILLAGERS HAVE DUBBED THE FOREST OF NO RETURN
휘이이이
따닥 따닥 따닥
SECOND GROUP! STAY IN LINE!
TIGHTEN THOSE RANKS!
YESSIR!
I'VE GOT A BAD FEELING ABOUT THIS
NONSENSE.

YOU'RE LETTING THE FOUL WEATHER DAMPEN YOUR SPIRITS, RETT
I'M NOT LOOKING FORWARD TO MAKING CAMP IN THIS, EITHER
LET'S HOPE BAD WEATHER'S ALL IT IS, KAL.
NO, IT'S NOT THE WEATHER.
WHAT'S THAT, FATHER?
YOUR INTUITION IS CORRECT.
I, TOO, SENSE AN OMINOUS PRESENCE WITHIN THIS FOREST.
EASY NOW, PADRE! I'M JUMPY ENOUGH AS IT IS.
I'M NOT TRYING TO SCARE ANYONE.
IT'S HARD TO SAY WHAT IT IS, BUT THERE'S DEFINITELY SOMETHING HERE.
...SOMETHING EVIL.
EVIL...?
PLEASE, FATHER... YOU'RE SCARING MY HORSE!
EH?!
WHAT IS IT, RETT?
BE STILL!!
...I SMELL BLOOD...
...A LOT OF IT...VERY CLOSE.

HYAH-HYAH!
RETT... WAIT!
THE FATHER'S RIGHT...THERE IS SOMETHING VERY WRONG HERE.
WHOA!!
RETT--- WHAT IS IT?!
WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING--

HERE... ON THE GROUND...
...THAT'S HUMAN BLOOD.
IT APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN ONE MAN, BUT I'VE NEVER SEEN ANYTHING LIKE IT.
LOOK AT THESE TRACKS HE LEFT BEHIND. HOW UNIMAGINABLY FAST MUST HE HAVE BEEN?
JUDGING FROM THE BLOOD-SPATTERS, HE MUST HAVE USED SOME SORT OF SHORT, HOOKED WEAPON AT CLOSE RANGE.
UNCANNY! HE CAN TELL ALL THAT BY SIMPLY OBSERVING THE SCENE...?!
BUT THE ONE THING THAT BOTHERS ME MOST
...WHERE THE HELL ARE THE BODIES?!
휘이이잉
WHAT...IN THE NAME OF GOD...?
HUP
탓
AT LEAST A DOZEN PEOPLE... MAYBE MORE.
BLOOD'S A COUPLE DAYS OLD.
...WILD BEASTS...?
NO... IT'S TOO... DELIBERATE.
SOMEONE MURDERED THESE PEOPLE.

THE FIEND IS OBVIOUSLY INSANE. HE DRAGGED THEM OFF
THAT'S JUST IT...THERE ARE NO DRAG MARKS
DAMMIT-- THIS DOESN'T MAKE SENSE
KAL, GO BACK AND TELL THE MEN TO ASSUME DEFENSIVE FORMATION.
I WANT SWORDS DRAWN AND EVERY BLOODY ONE OF THEIR EYES WIDE OPEN!
A-ALL RIGHT, RETT!
MEN! DEFENSIVE FORMA--
NEIGHH!
AAAHH!
WHA- WHAT'S FRIGHTENING THE HORSES?
NEIGHH!
WAAAA!!
WHOA-- EASY BOY!
NEIGHH!
NEIGHH!!
AAAAHHH!!
AHK!!
OOOHH...
!

SO... HUNGRY...
MUST HAVE BLOOD...
BLOOD...
...WARM BLOOD!
GOOD GOD-- NOOOO!!

HSSSS!!
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WHA--?!
SWEET JESUS--WHAT THE HELL ARE THEY?!
BLOOD...
I SMELL BLOOD.
AIEEE!!
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AAHH!! MY LEG-- GET IT OFF MY LEG!!
HOLD ON, ULSTER! I'LL CLEAVE HIS--
AAAHH! GAKK!!
HHSSS!!
HUHHK!!
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THIS CAN'T..
..BE HAPPENING...
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AAH--?!
KAL! DOWN-- NOW!!
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HRAH!!
WHAT... WHAT ARE THEY...
DAMNED IF I KNOW!
BUT ONE THING'S FOR SURE...
BLOOD ...
WHA--?!
BLOOD
GIVE ME ...GURG... BLOOD ...
...THEY'RE NOT HUMAN
TH-THIS CAN'T BE HAPPENING!
STAND ASIDE!!

GET BACK, FOUL CREATURE OF SATAN!!
AHK?!
Yeah!
FATHER DANIEL!
WELL DONE FATHER! BUT WHAT WAS...?
HOLY WATER... AS A CLERIC, I CARRY IT WITH ME ALWAYS...
I NEVER IMAGINED I'D PUT IT TO SUCH MORBID USE
I CAN HARDLY BELIEVE IT, BUT THESE HORRIBLE CREATURES ARE VAMPIRES
I'M AFRAID THESE ARE THE BODIES YOU WERE LOOKING FOR, RETT
POOR SOULESS CREATURES FATED TO ENDLESSLY WANDER THE EARTH AS THE UNDEAD
LET'S...
...MOURN FOR THEM LATER, FATHER!!

I SUGGEST WE DO SOMETHING FAST, UNLESS WE WANT TO JOIN THEM!
NOW USE YOUR "MAGIC WATER" AND GET RID OF THESE MONSTERS!
IT'S HOLY WATER, RETT AND THERE ISN'T ENOUGH TO STOP THEM ALL
I FEAR THAT THE ONLY WAY TO AVOID SHARING THEIR FATE IS...TO TAKE OUR OWN LIVES.
DAMMIT, PRIEST! IF I DIE, I DIE SWINGING MY SWORD--NOT FALLING ON IT!!
BUT...WHAT ELSE CAN WE DO...?
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THERE IS.. SOMETHING..
..WE CAN DO!
FATHER DANIEL USE THE HOLY WATER ON OUR SWORDS--BLESS THEM FOR US
IF OUR SWORDS ARE THE INSTRUMENTS OF GOD MAYBE WE HAVE A CHANCE
YES! BLOODY BRILLIANT!
BLESS, BLESS A WEAPON? I DON'T KNOW THAT I HAVE THE AUTHORITY...
WELL I'M WAGERING THAT YOU DO, FATHER
BECAUSE I'M NOT GOING TO DIE HERE...
...NOT LIKE THIS...NOT BY THESE THINGS. I'VE TOO MUCH YET TO DO, FATHER DANIEL.

YOU'VE GOT STEEL IN YOUR LOINS, KAL!
BUT I THINK YOU SHOULD LEAVE THE KILLING TO ME.
ARE YOU INSANE, RETT? I MAY NOT BE AS HANDY WITH A BLADE AS YOU, BUT CERTAINLY TWO--
I'M NOT ASKING, KAL!!
DON'T MISTAKE THIS FOR SOME FOOLISH SENSE OF GALLANTRY
MY BLADE CUTS A BROAD SWATH-- YOU'LL ONLY BE IN THE WAY.
...RETT...
KEEP THEM OCCUPIED WHILE THE PRIEST DOES HIS MAGIC--BUT DO IT FAST
WE TAKE MUCH LONGER AND OUR OWN MEN ARE GOING TO JUMP UP AND JOIN THE RANKS OF THESE BLOODTHIRSTY HELLSPAWN
HOLY SPIRIT, GIVER OF LIFE, FROM THE BAPTISMAL FONT OF THE CHURCH YOU HAVE FORMED US...
...INTO A NEW CREATION IN THE WATERS OF REBIRTH. BLESS AND PURIFY THIS INSTRUMENT...
...AMEN!
MAJOR-- IT'S READY!!
EXCELLENT! NOW HURRY!
RETT, COME, TAKE THE SWORD!
DAMMIT, KAL--JUST THROW THE BLOODY THING!
ALL RIGHT! CATCH!
MARGH!!
G-AHK!

HARRR!

GOOD WORK, MAJOR... FATHER...
NOW IT'S TIME FOR ME TO EARN MY KEEP.
YOU'RE ABOUT TO SEE WHY...
...THEY CALL ME THE HELLRAISER!

HHHSSSSS!!
HUP

I'LL ADMIT... THERE ARE A LOT OF YOU BUGGERS.
AND YOU'RE FASTER THAN I EXPECTED...
...BUT ME...
...I'M HELL'S OWN FURY!!
KEH?
OH YES...
...I LIKE IT!

...Butler slew the creatures by the dozen.
KREE
GRUH
주춥
주춥
It was as if his sword were directed by powers not of this earth.
The battle was as brief as it was bloody...
...and by its end...
...I had begun to question who the real "monster" was.
(Excerpted from journals of Father Daniel— October 14, 1034.)
With preternatural speed and ferocity...
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CHEER UP, LADS.. WE'RE ALIVE!
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MARVELOUS!!
ABSOLUTELY MARVELOUS!

CHAPTER 28-A: FIGHT OUT

YES.. NOT BAD. I THINK I'LL ENJOY.
...KILLING YOU.
WHO?!
AAAH!! I'VE NEVER SENSED SUCH EVIL!
HE MUST BE THE DEMON THAT ATTACKED THOSE PEOPLE!
IT'S HIM...
...THE SOURCE OF THIS UNHOLY PLAGUE!
HE IS THE MASTER VAMPIRE!!
OH, ENOUGH PRATTLING.
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A VAMPIRE...? THAT FACE... THOSE BURNING EYES...
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주르
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W-WAIT! I KNOW--
YOU'RE INSH... RIGHT?
I'M... KAL...

--YOUR NAME! IT'S...
...DESHWI... DESHWITAT?
DESHWITAT, IT'S ME! SURELY YOU RECALL?! I WAS THERE THE DAY YOUR PARENTS WERE KIL--
KALUTIKA MAYBUS, REMEMBER?
MAJOR--PLEASE! HE'LL KILL YOU!
AH YES...IT'S COMING BACK TO ME NOW. I REMEMBER YOU...
...KAL-U-TIKA MAY-BUS...
IF MEMORY SERVES...
...YOU WERE THE FIRST HUMAN TO BETRAY ME.
BETRAY YOU? WHAT DO YOU...?
VANISHED?!
NOT ENTIRELY! NOW--MOVE!
URGH?!
HOW...?! HOW COULD HE DETECT MY MOTION LIKE THAT?
OOOFFF!

EH
MY APOLOGIES, BIG MAN...
I MAY HAVE UNDER-ESTIMATED YOU...
BY JUDGING YOU ALONGSIDE THESE OTHER COCKROACHES
RETT-- WAIT! STOP--I KNOW THIS MAN!
MAN?! LIKE HELL HE IS!
LISTEN TO YOURSELF, MAYBUS! HAVE YOU FORGOTTEN ABOUT THE DOZEN OR SO INNOCENT PEOPLE THAT HE WANTONLY SLAUGHTERED?! PEOPLE WHOSE ETERNAL SOULS WILL NEVER KNOW PEACE?!
I DON'T GIVE A TINKER'S FART IF THIS BLEEDIN' FREAK IS THE POPE HIMSELF-- HE DIES NOW!!!
LOOK IN THOSE EYES, KAL...
...HE'S MAD WITH THE THIRST FOR BLOOD!!
EITHER HE DIES...
...OR WE DIE
HEH..YOU COULD LEARN FROM THIS MAN, MAYBUS
GIVE MY REGARDS TO SATAN, YOU MONSTER!
NO--- RETT!!

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EXCELLENT!
NOW WE'LL HAVE SOME SPORT!
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MISSED, EH? THE LOOK ON YOUR FACE IS PRICELESS, FOOL.
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IMPRESSIVE PARLOR TRICK, VAMPIRE..
BUT I HARDLY THINK YOU CAN SAY I MISSED.
SIMPLETON! YOU COULDN'T POSSIBLY--
EH?!
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AARGH?!
VAMPIRE OR NOT--YOU'RE A LIVING, BREATHING THING.
AND THAT MEANS YOU CAN BE HIT...AND HURT
TIME TO LEARN A NEW TRICK, DEMON.
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HAHAHA...OH, WELL PLAYED INDEED, SWORDSMAN!
NEVER THOUGHT A HUMAN WOULD GET THE UPPER-HAND--OR SHOULD I SAY ARM? -ON ME.
BUT I'VE ALWAYS THOUGHT..
...THAT YOU HUMANS PUT TOO HIGH A PREMIUM...
...ON FLESH AND BONE.

NO, KETT! PLEASE! YOU MUST STOP THIS!
TEN YEARS AGO, I STOOD BY WHILE THIS MAN'S ENTIRE FAMILY WAS MURDERED!
THERE MUST BE SOME WAY WE CAN ALL MAKE AMENDS
MAJOR, PLEASE...THE SERGEANT IS OUR ONLY HOPE!
WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT...?
VIBRAK..
ISERMA ...
IS THAT A SPELL?!
KAL DANIEL RUN--!!

TOO LATE!
ALL RIGHT VAMPIRE--
--LET'S DANCE!!
HRRGH!!
HMMM--- APPARENTLY THE PRIEST HAS AUGMENTED YOUR BLADE
ONE OF THE MORE CLEVER USES FOR THAT WRETCHED HOLY WATER
ALLOW ME...
...TO EXPRESS MY RESPECT!!
UGH?!

EK
EK
EK
YOUR BLOOD...
...LIKE YOUR SKILL...
...IS EXQUISITE!
DAMN YOU...!
RRAAARR!!
HIYAAAAA!!
EK
EK
HUP!
EK
HURK?!
AAHH!!
EK
HUNH!
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THEY'RE LIKE TWO EQUALLY MATCHED, SAVAGE ANIMALS...
NO, MAJOR...

...THE VAMPIRE IS A DEMON... NOT OF THIS WORLD.
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DO YOU REMEMBER HOW HE SEEMED UNAFFECTED--- ALMOST UNTOUCHED--- BY THE RAIN EARLIER? I BELIEVE IT WAS HIS DEMONIC ENERGY THAT SHIELDED HIM.
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BUT LOOK AT HIM NOW. HE'S SOAKING WET AND I DO BELIEVE HE SEEMS..
...TO BE WEAKENING...
GOD BE PRAISED..

...THE SERGEANT IS PREVAILING!
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URGH!!
IT'S NOT POSSIBLE... NO HUMAN... HE COULDN'T...

NO!! THIS CAN'T HAPPEN... I WON'T ALLOW IT!
I WILL NOT DIE BY HUMAN HANDS!!
HUFF
HUFF
HUFF
GRRR!!
NOT BY YOUR HANDS!!
HAHAHA... NOT SO SMUG NOW, ARE YOU YOU FILTHY HU---
GAK---?!

RETT'S NUMBER ONE RULE, VAMPIRE.
...NEVER LET YOUR EMOTIONS GET THE BEST OF YOU.
NO... NO...
DIE GHOUL!!

NO, RETT-- NO!!
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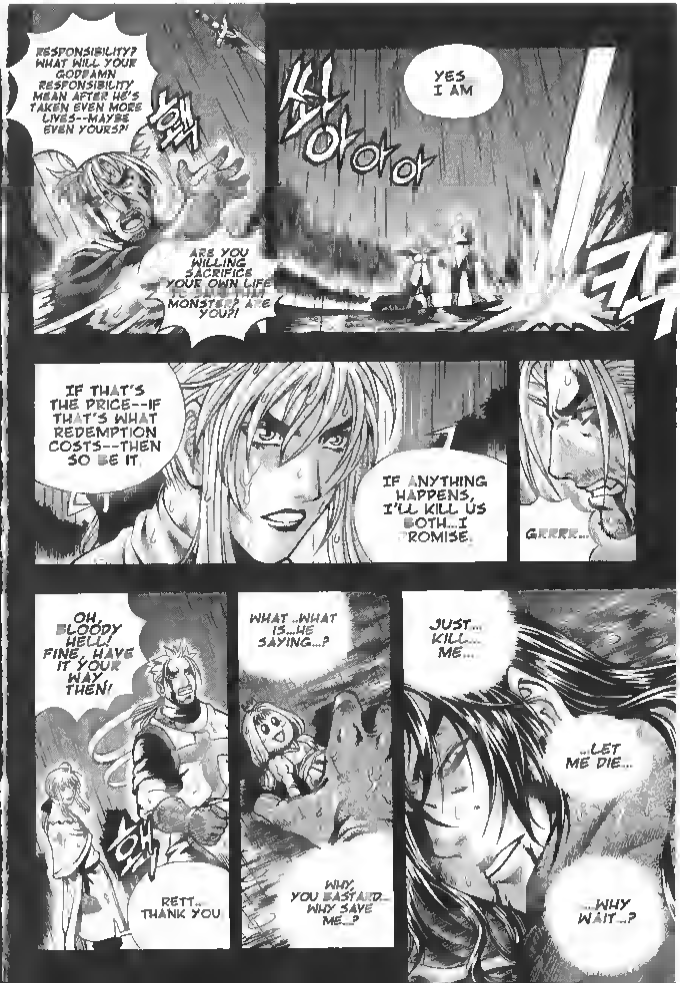
KAL-- ARE YOU OUT OF YOUR MIND?! DON'T FORGET WHAT THIS IS!
IF IT LIVES, HOW MANY MORE WILL SUFFER THE SAME FATE AS THE OTHERS?!
PLEASE, I BEG YOU, RETT...
...PLEASE... I'LL TAKE FULL RESPONSIBILITY !!


RESPONSIBILITY? WHAT WILL YOUR GOD@AMN RESPONSIBILITY MEAN AFTER HE'S TAKEN EVEN MORE LIVES--MAYBE EVEN YOURS?!
ARE YOU WILLING SACRIFICE YOUR OWN LIFE FOR A MONSTER? ARE YOU?!
YES I AM
IF THAT'S THE PRICE--IF THAT'S WHAT REDEMPTION COSTS--THEN SO BE IT.
IF ANYTHING HAPPENS, I'LL KILL US BOTH...I PROMISE.
GRRRR...
OH, BLOODY HELL! FINE, HAVE IT YOUR WAY THEN!
RETT... THANK YOU.
WHAT ..WHAT IS...HE SAYING...?
WHY, YOU BASTARD... WHY SAVE ME...?
JUST... KILL... ME...
...LET ME DIE...
...WHY WAIT...?

KILL ME!!
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CHAPTER 28-B:
AFTER 400 YEARS - A TOAST

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NAMU SANGJU SIBANG BUL..
NAMU SANGJU SIBANG BUP..
NAMU SANGJU SIBANG SEUNG!
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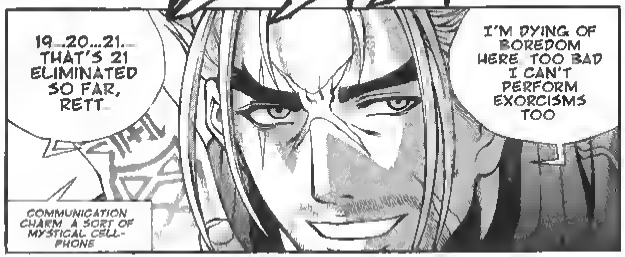
SHREE!!
KAHHH!!
Boom
AAARGHH!!


19...20...21... THAT'S 21 ELIMINATED SO FAR, RETT...
COMMUNICATION CHARM. A SORT OF MYSTICAL CELL-PHONE
I'M DYING OF BOREDOM HERE. TOO BAD I CAN'T PERFORM EXORCISMS TOO

HUH? HOLD ON. YOU'VE GOT ABOUT FIVE OF THEM COMIN' YOUR WAY.
AKK...
AAAAAA!!
후다닥

E.T.A. IN ABOUT TWO MINUTES, MILLENEAR. THEY'RE ALL YOURS.
MY PLEASURE, RETT.
REMEMBER WHAT THE OLD LADY SAID. "IF AT ALL POSSIBLE, NO HARM SHOULD COME TO THE HUMAN HOSTS."
I KNOW... I KNOW.
AND TRY AND KEEP "TALL DARK AND ANGRY" OVER THERE FROM GOING POSTAL, OKAY?
HA HA... UNDERSTOOD.

SUBJECTS IN SIGHT I'LL REPORT BACK, RETT.
OKAY GOOD LUCK, KID

EVIL SPIRITS!!
I COMMAND THEE-- RELINQUISH THESE SOULS!

YOU DON'T SCARE US, SOW!
WE ARE SERVANTS OF THE DARK..

...AND WE ARE LEGION!

NO CLOSER, BITCH!!
OUT OF OUR WAY, OR THE LITTLE PIGGY DIES!!
OH?!
WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING AT ME FOR, EXORCIST? IN OVER YOUR HEAD?
OKAY, I GIVE UP
YOU CAN GO, BUT GIVE ME THE CHILD
DON'T FUCK WITH ME, BITCH!!
DROP THE STAFF AND SHOW ME YOUR HANDS
OH WAIT
SEE?
THAT'S RIGHT BE A GOOD LITTLE PIGGY AND LET'S!!
AAHHKK!!

SATISFIED NOW...?
LET THE CHILD GO.
AS YOU WISH... HEHEH
YOU'LL BE ALL RIGHT NOW.
AAAAHHH!!
OOF!
OOH SHE'S A PRETTY ONE, ISN'T SHE? LET'S HAVE SOME FUN, EH?
HEHEHE
HAHA HA
I KNOW...
BECAUSE NOW...
YOU'RE DEAD, BITCH!
NO... EEYAA!!
HHYYSS!!

YEA, THOUGH I WALK THROUGH THE VALLEY OF THE SHADOW -
DESH-- DESHWITAT?!
WHA--?
YOU WANNA DIE TOO?!

ARGHH!!
KAFF!

ARRR... ARRGH! WHAT...IS THIS...PAIN?!
HOW CAN THIS AFFECT US SO WHEN HE, TOO, IS A CREATURE OF THE DARK?!

BEGONE.
THE POWER MAY EMANATE FROM THE SAME SOURCE...
BUT DESU'S ENERGY IS QUALITATIVELY DIFFERENT FROM THIS RABBLE
STILL, DESU IS JUST A VAMPIRE, ALTHOUGH HIS ABILITIES ARE TREMENDOUS...
HOW DID HIS POWER... GROW SO STRONG?!

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D-DESH...
HMPH

...AH...?!
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NO...DESH, DON'T LOOK!

PLEASE... I ASKED YOU NOT TO LOOK!
LOOK AWAY! DESH...STOP! WHAT ARE YOU--?
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THANK... THANK YOU, DESHWITAT.
I APOLOGIZE... SOMETIMES I OVERREACT...

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...OH, DEAR.

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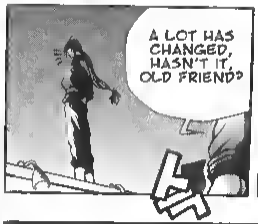
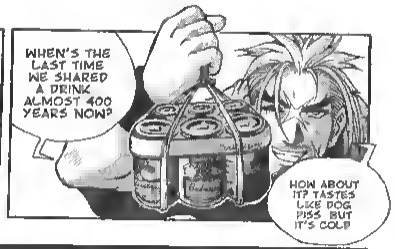
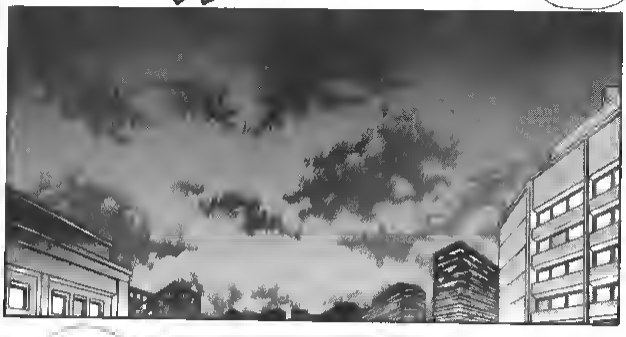

A LOT HAS CHANGED, HASN'T IT, OLD FRIEND?


WHEN'S THE LAST TIME WE SHARED A DRINK ALMOST 400 YEARS NOW?
HOW ABOUT IT? TASTES LIKE DOG PISS BUT IT'S COLD



HA HA HA!!
I GOTTA SAY, DESH, IT ALMOST FEELS LIKE OLD TIMES.

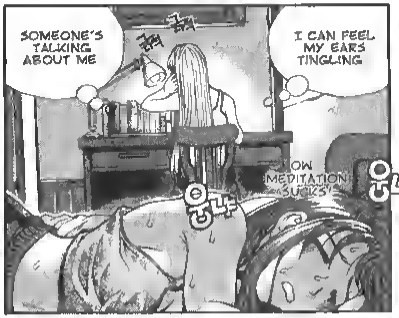
YES, I KNOW BUT RETT...
..THOSE TWO HUMAN GIRLS...DO WE REALLY NEED THEM?

MILLENEAR IS TOO WEAK... PHYSICALLY, MENTALLY, AND EMOTIONALLY
AND REMI'S AN IMPETUOUS CHILD THEY'LL ONLY GET IN OUR WAY
THAT SO?
PHYSICALLY, I THINK MILLENEAR'S JUST RIGHT OR DID YOU MEAN...?
LOOK, I HEARD WHAT HAPPENED EARLIER. SO SHE CHOKED.
RIGHT! AND THAT PROTOPLASMIC RABBLE NEARLY ATE HER ALIVE.
WHAT.. YOU WORRIED ABOUT HER?
AFRAID SOMETHING'S GONNA HAPPEN TO HER IF SHE TAGS ALONG, IS THAT IT...?
NONSENSE!
HAHAHA--- THERE'S THE FACE I LOVE!
THAT "I AM DEVOID OF FEELING" LOOK YOU PUT ON!

YA KNOW WHAT I'M THINKING ABOUT NOW, DESH?
THE NIGHT WE MET. THAT MIGHTY BRAWL WE HAD SOME 400 YEARS AGO
AAAHH...

YOU SHOULD BE HONORED
THAT WAS ONE OF ONLY TWO LOSSES I EVER SUFFERED YOU WERE THE ONLY HUMAN BEING...
...TO EVER BEAT ME
FOR ME JUST ONE VICTORY OUT OF THOUSANDS
BUT DESH..
YES?
GO EASY ON MILLENEAR AND REMI. THEY'RE GOOD KIDS. LET THEM BE FOR NOW, OKAY?
THEY'VE GOT GUTS, TOO, DESH

YOU'RE RIGHT. THEY ARE GOOD KIDS.
BUT THEY'LL NEED TO BE MORE THAN GOOD KIDS TO SURVIVE WHAT'S AHEAD OF US



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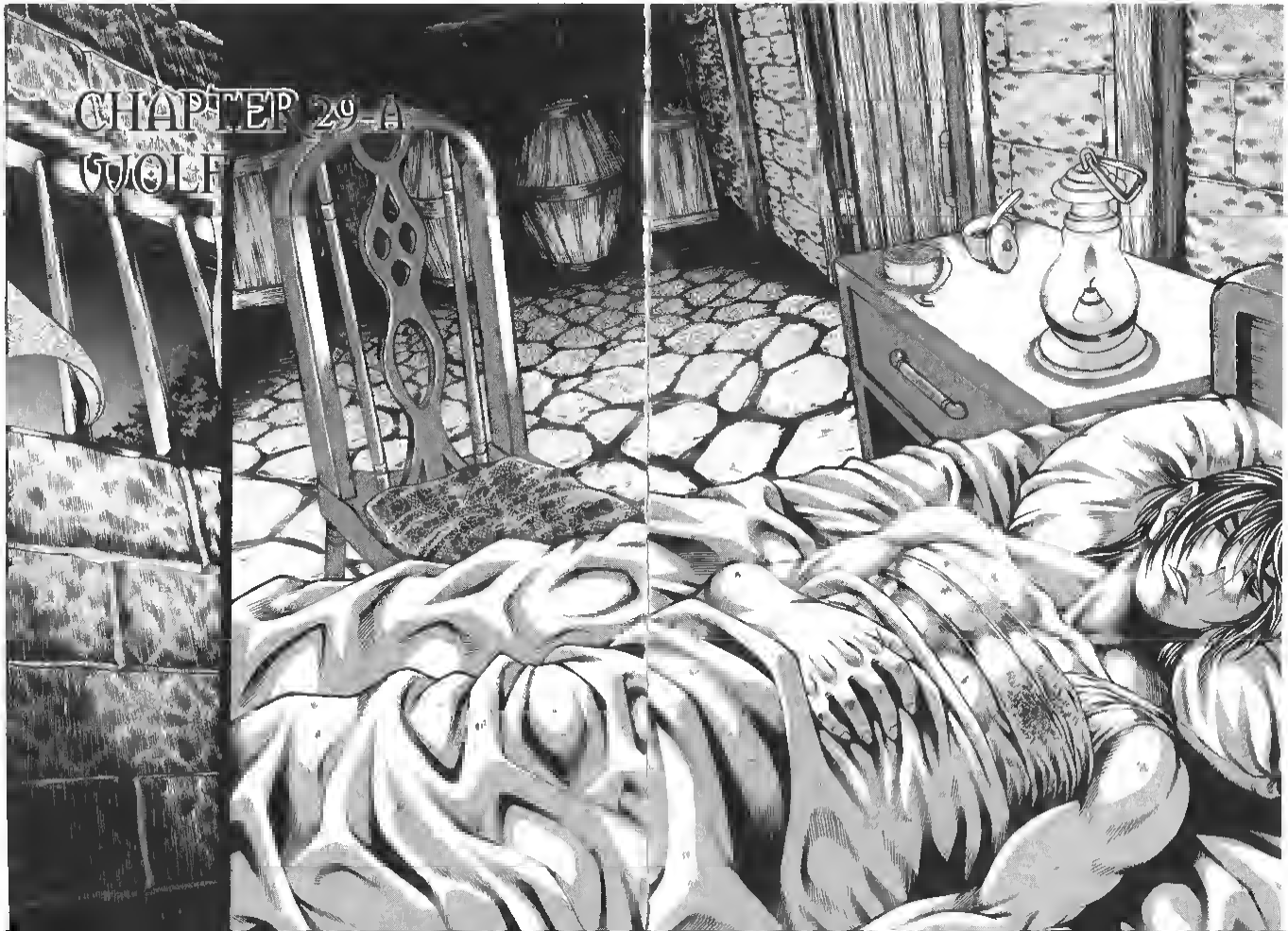
CHAPTER 29 - A
WOLF

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AH...?!
BANDAGES...?
IT WAS... KALUTIIKA... BUT...
...WHY IS HE HELPING ME?
WHAT...IS THIS...? WHERE AM I?
AM I... ALIVE...?

AWAKE AT LAST, I SEE!
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YOU WERE UNCONSCIOUS FOR THREE DAYS...
...I WAS BEGINNING TO THINK YOU MIGHT NEVER RECOVER
WE ARE IN THE CELLAR OF MY HOME. I THOUGHT IT BEST TO KEEP YOU AWAY FROM DIRECT SUNLIGHT.
WE HAD TO DESTROY YOUR CLOTHES BUT THESE SHOULD DO NICELY...
YOU... WHAT?!
YOU DARE HANDLE MY POSSESSIONS?!
HERE!
LOOKING FOR THIS, ARE YOU?
AN ODD TRINKET FOR A VAMPIRE... BUT IT SEEMED IMPORTANT...

HMPH!
WELL...!
I THINK THIS SHIRT--
...ALL RIGHT, THEN.
THERE'S ALSO THIS...
I ASSUME YOU MUST BE... HUNGRY...
I REALIZE IT'S NOT YOUR USUAL..FARE BUT IT WILL HAVE
HMM?

EAT THAT CARRION YOURSELF HUMAN. JUST TELL ME WHAT IT IS YOU WANT!
WHY KEEP ME ALIVE? WHY NURSE A "MONSTER" BACK TO HEALTH?

ALL RIGHT. FAIR ENOUGH. I'VE NEVER PLAYED HOST TO A VAMPIRE BEFORE, DESHWITAT.
WHAT DO I WANT?
I WANT THE IMPOSSIBLE I SEEK... ATONEMENT.
TEN YEARS AGO, YOU LOST YOUR PARENTS DUE TO MY FATHER'S UNBRIDLED AMBITION AND CRUELTY..
THE LUXURY OF GUILT MAY BE SOMETHING YOU CAN NO LONGER AFFORD. AND OF COURSE, I WILL NEVER APPRECIATE YOUR PAIN.
YOU'RE RIGHT...
...YOU CAN'T... AND YOUR HYPOC...ISY SICKENS ME.

YOUR HOME...? YOUR FATHER...
...THE ONE WHO MURDERED MY FAMILY IS HE HERE?!
UH... AH...?
WELL I...
BASTARD!!
UGH!!
D- DESHWITAT, WAIT!!

DANUBE--- GET BACK TO YOUR ROOM!!
KAL--- AAHK?!
DANUBE!!
WHERE IS HE?!
WHERE IS THE DOG HIDING?!
DESHWITA! WAIT--MY FATHER IS...
IS THAT YOU, KAL?! WHAT'S GOING ON?
AH! I SEE OUR GUEST HAS AWOKEN!

HURK-- KA...KALI!
DESHWITAT-- NO! LET HER GO! MY SISTER HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH THIS
WHO DO YOU THINK TENDED TO YOU WHILE YOU WERE UNCONSCIOUS
SHE KEPT YOU ALIVE!!
DESHWITAT ...!!
SILENCE! IF YOU WANT HER TO LIVE--TELL ME WHERE THE OLD MAN IS!
ANYONE... NO MATTER WHO...WHO HARMS MY SISTER..
...DIES BY MY HAND!!
WELL, WELL...

...THAT'S THE FIRST GENUINE THING I'VE HEARD YOU SAY, HUMAN...BUT I DON'T SCARE EASILY.
I'LL MAKE THIS AS CLEAR AS POSSIBLE... WHOSE LIFE MEANS MORE TO YOU...
...YOUR SISTER'S...
...OR YOUR FATHER'S?
DOWN THAT HALLWAY... MY FATHER'S ROOM...
...IS THE DOOR AT THE END.

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WISE CHOICE!
KAL?!
EVERYTHING WILL BE FINE, DANUBE... GO BACK TO YOUR ROOM.
AT LAST!!
MY VENGEANCE IS AT HAND!
BEHIND THOSE DOORS!
MY PARENTS' MURDERER!!!
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I'LL HAVE HIS BLOOD!!

OH... KALUTIKA? GOOD, JUST IN TIME.
I'VE READIED THE HORSES FOR BATTLE...RIDE WITH ME, BOY!

CHARGE, MEN-!!
DESTROY THE MONSTER FOR THE SAKE OF THE VILLAGE!!
SILENCE, MONSTER!!! PREPARE TO TASTE THE JUSTICE OF MY SWORD!!
I LOVE YOU... THE TIME I SPEND WITH YOU HAS PURE HAPPINESS...
DEATH TO THE VAMPIRE!
NOW--WHAT SHOUL... WE DO WITH THIS?

HE'S BEEN LIKE THIS FOR NEARLY FIVE YEARS NOW...HIS MOMENTS OF LUCIDITY ARE RARE.
MAYBE THIS IS DIVINE JUSTICE THIS MINDLESS EXISTENCE
FATHER, YOU'LL CATCH COLD
BUT I MUST RIDE, SON...I MUST...
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AAAH HH...?!
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HEHEH... KAL...MY, WHAT A STRAPPING MAN YOU'VE BECOME..
PROMISE ME YOU'LL HONOR YOUR FATHER'S NAME...
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YOU...
YOU... HAHA...
HAHAHA...

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부들
YOU?!
YOU'RE THE WRETCH WHO DESTROYED MY FAMILY?! HA!!
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BUT...YOU'RE NOT GOING TO...? WAIT--WHERE...?
OOH--THERE'S NOTHIN' LIKE SWIMMIN' ♪~♪
...WITH BOW-LEGGED WOMEN... ♪
EASY NOW!!

NOW WHAT'S HE...?
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DESHWITAT--!!
RETT, WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?
CAME TO SEE HOW OUR STRAY DOG WAS DOING
LETTING HIM OFF THE LEASH MIGHT NOT BE SUCH A GOOD IDEA
IT'S... COMPLICATED. I COULDN'T STOP HIM.
I HATE TO SAY IT, BUT I TOLD YOU THIS WAS A BAD IDEA
I KNOW, RETT...I JUST THOUGHT THAT...

...I COULD MAKE AMENDS.
I WAS WRONG.

YEARS AGO DURING A MOUNTAIN CAMPAIGN
...I HAD A MATE NAMED LUKE. A REAL PEACOCK-- ALWAYS TRYING TO IMPRESS, YOU KNOW?
LUKE HE GETS TO THINKING THAT HAVING A WOLF FOR A PET WOULD SECURE HIS REPUTATION
SO THE LAD SETS ABOUT CAPTURING, TRAINING AND TAMING THIS BLOODY GREAT BEASTY
IT WAS A BEAUTIFUL CREATURE.. STONE GRAY COAT.. AND IT FOLLOWED LUKE AROUND LIKE A COCKER SPANIEL.
UNTIL ONE DAY-- BAM!!
WE FOUND THE BOY WITH HIS THROAT TORN OUT.

KAL, SOME CREATURES CAN NEVER BE TAMED

A CAUTIONARY TALE, INDEED.
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BUT I'M NOT TRYING TO TAME THE VAMPIRE..I'M TRYING TO EXTEND A FRIENDLY HAND
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AND YOU'RE LIKELY TO PULL BACK A BLOODY STUMP, FRIEND.

RIGHT, THEN..SINCE THERE'S NOTHING TO SEE HERE
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WHAT?
UH...RETT, THE HOUSE IS IN A TERRIBLE STATE...
YOU'RE JOKING... YOU WANT ME TO HELP CLEAN?

WELL..

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ANY FOOD IN THE LARDER?
MY SISTER WAS COOKING ALL DAY AND THE WINE CELLAR IS WELL— STOCKED
WE'RE ALWAYS GLAD TO LEND A HAND!
I THOUGHT YOU MIGHT BE.

TO BE CONTINUED IN REBIRTH VOLUME 8.

Character File (Medeval Series)

Danube Maybus

Age: 24. Size 3. 161 cm. 42 kg
A bright and cheerful character type frequently seen in comics.

Her name is the same as one of Kalutska's soldiers in the modern period, but the two characters are not the same individual. I can't tell you yet why they have the same name...

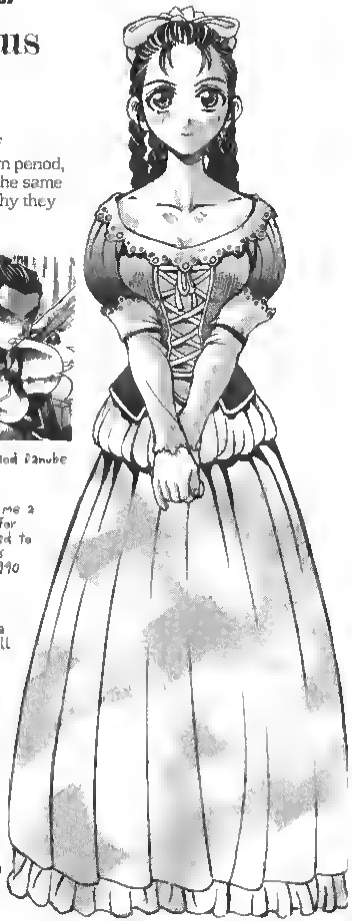
The modern period Danube

She's Kalutska's sister but doesn't look like him at all. Hmm, why would this be... Isn't the answer clear?

Her costume gave me a lot of trouble for reference. I turned to John Peacock's Costume, 1066-1990

She hasn't played a big role yet, but will soon. Let's look forward to that!

She was supposed to be more mature, but we've decided on a jollier character in order to distinguish her from Lilith



Kalutika Maybus

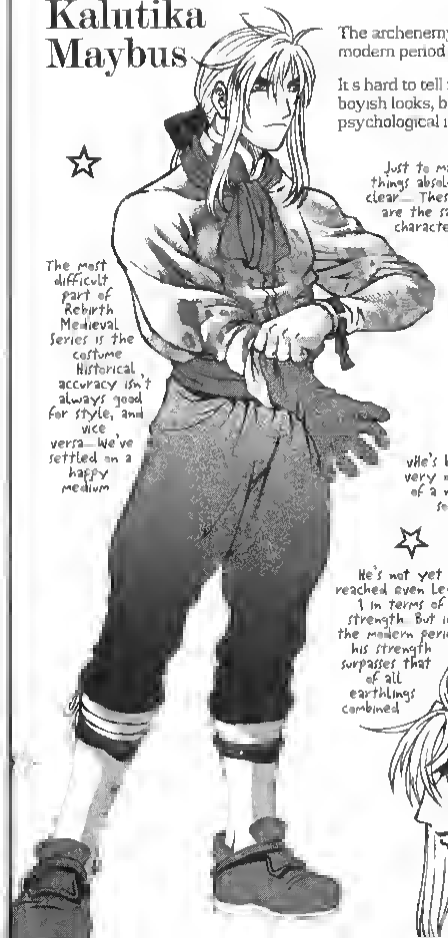
The archenemy of Deshwitat in the modern period. Age: 23. 184 cm. 76 kg.

It's hard to tell from his handsome, boyish looks, but he has many psychological issues

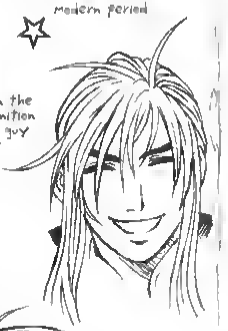
Just to make things absolutely clear— These two are the same character

Kalutika in the modern period

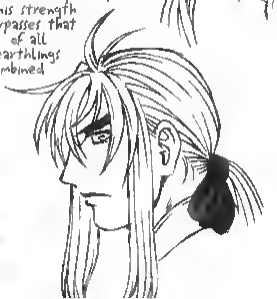
The most difficult part of Rebirth Medieval Series is the costume. Historical accuracy isn't always good for style, and vice versa— We've settled on a happy medium



He's been the very definition of a nice guy so far



He's not yet reached even Level 1 in terms of strength. But in the modern period, his strength surpasses that of all earthlings combined



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Escorting the comely daughter of a wealthy church elder on her way to a prearranged marriage might seem beneath the skills of a Sacred Knight of Kalutika's rank and reputation...until the girl is kidnapped by a group of bloodthirsty bandits who massacre Kal's troops and leave him for dead. With his men slaughtered and Kett stationed back at the outpost, all hope seems lost...until the entrance of the most unlikely hero of all!

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